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20,000 Jam Open House For GCS Wheaton Store

Over 20,000 people turned out to the Open House of the new Co-op General Store in Wheaton last Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. The 15,000 registration forms printed for the occasion were used up during the first two hours; many people could not get in because of the crowds. Open for business on Monday morning, sales exceeded \$11,000 the first day. It is estimated that sales the first week will hit around \$75,000, according to General Manager Sam Ashelman. Suppliers and friends contributed \$450 for the CARE Christmas package from the Wheaton Co-op.

As announced last week, all the opening specials for the Wheaton store are available also at the Takoma Co-op and the Greenbelt Shopping Center.

Legion To Hold Xmas Charity Show, Dec. 23

The Annual Big Legion Christmas Charity Show will be held at the Greenbelt Theater, Thursday, December 23, at 1 and 3 p.m. The feature picture will be that classic "National Velvet" in Technicolor starring Elizabeth Taylor and Mickey Rooney. Tops in entertainment, Post 135 desires very much to pack the theater for both shows. Everyone is invited to bring their children. The admission will be a can of food, or a new toy or book. This applies to adults as well as children.

Help the Legionnaires to meet their goal this Christmas. A basket of groceries and a turkey to every needy family in the area.

The annual Legion Christmas party will be held Sunday afternoon December 19 from 2 to 6 at the post home. Movies, toys, refreshments, Santa Claus.

Avoid Unsafe Toys Health Dept. Warns

There is real need to exercise caution in selecting toys for youngsters to make certain they are safe and bring the joy intended at Christmas-time, warns Mr. J. Charles Judge, Chief of the Home Accident Prevention Unit, Maryland State Department of Health.

As no one knowingly would give a child an unsafe toy, Mr. Judge suggests prospective Santas keep the following points in mind when deciding what to buy little Johnnie or Suzy for Christmas:

For babies and children under 4 years of age AVOID small toys which may be swallowed, are flammable or have removable parts. Avoid anything with rough or sharp edges and make sure the paint is non-poisonous.

In the age group 3 to 4, AVOID toys which are poorly made, may come apart, break or splinter. Also toys which are sharp or cutting. Flammable or electrical toys should be likewise excluded from your list.

Children 4 to 6 years of age should be guarded against shooting or target type toys which endanger eyes. Also ill-balanced mobile toys (tricycles, wagons, etc.) which may topple easily. Poisonous painting sets, pinching or cutting objects likewise involve potential danger.

The dexterity ages, 6 to 8, present similar problems where non-approved electrical toys, anything too large or complicated for the child's strength and ability should be taboo. Also sharp edged tools or shooting toys.

For children over 8, air rifles, chemistry sets, dart games, bows and arrows, dangerous tools and electrical toys should be avoided unless used under close parental supervision.

Chief Finds Stolen Car - He Was In It

By Harry Zubkoff

Two of Greenbelt's leading citizens unintentionally became involved in a stolen car case last week. Councilman Jim Smith and Police Chief George Panagoulis are the two embarrassed citizens, and here's how it happened.

Jim and George decided to drive into Washington one night to mail a package at the main Postoffice. Jim drove over to George's house to pick him up, and went inside to chat for a few minutes. Here he met a friend of George's who had dropped in to visit. When they left, George led the way to a car parked in front, thinking it was Jim's. Jim followed, thinking it was George's friend's car.

"Do you want to drive, or shall I?" asked George, politely.

"Help yourself," said Jim generously.

They got into the car.

"How does this thing start?" asked George after fumbling around for a minute.

"Just turn the key," said Jim.

And away they went.

Ten minutes later Joe Hanyok came out and found the car gone. It wasn't his, either. It belonged to his brother-in-law. He reported the missing car to the police and calmly awaited results. The report went out on a six-state alarm, and police throughout the area were alerted.

Two hours later two very red-faced citizens were trying their best to explain. Fortunately, they had returned home without incident, so their explanations are for local consumption.

"They'll be explaining this one for a long time," says Joe Hanyok between chuckles.

Chief Panagoulis supplied the moral to this story. Never—no never, leave the keys in the car!

Scouts Collect 10,000 Bags In Clothing Drive

Over 10,000 bags of clothing, shoes, household textiles and toys were collected by Prince Georges County Cub, Boy and Explorer Scouts during their Good Turn Day Drive staged for Goodwill Industries on Saturday, December 4. The project was sponsored by Prince Georges District of the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Commenting on the success of the Scout's good turn, Rev. W. Harold Snape, Executive Director of Davis Memorial Goodwill Industries, said, "What these boys have done to help handicapped people to help themselves is an outstanding demonstration of what it means for a Scout to be 'Helpful'." I wish that everyone of these young helpers might have the opportunity to see for themselves how much good they have accomplished, how many thousands of man-hours of gainful work their good turn has provided." He added:

"The handicapped workers here at Goodwill Industries join me in expressing sincere appreciation to the Scouts, their leaders and the people of Prince Georges County for their generous expression of good will." Mr. Snape also voiced praise for the wonderful cooperation of the county's newspapers which he said "aided immeasurably in making the Good Turn Day such a success."

DROP INN XMAS DANCE

The Drop Inn will hold its annual Christmas dance at the Center school auditorium, Wednesday night, December 22, starting at 8:30 p.m. Music will be furnished by Marty Lannei and his orchestra.

What Goes On?

Friday, December 17 - Hebrew Services held at 8 p.m. in Home Economics Room of Center School. Candle-lighting time at 4:10 p.m. Cub Scout pack meeting and Xmas party at Community Church Fellowship Center. GVHC Board meeting in Hamilton Place Office at 8:15 p.m.

Saturday, December 18 - Bingo sponsored by JCC in Social Room of Center School. Free admission. Time, 8 p.m.

Sunday, December 19 - CHURCH SERVICES Community Church - Morning worship at 9 and 11 a.m. Rev. Braund preaching third Advent sermon, "The Word Made Flesh—Emmanuel." Greenbelt Lutheran Church - Morning worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sermon by Pastor Birner.

Methodist Church (meeting at North End School) - Morning worship at 11 a.m. Sermon by Rev. Knock, "Why Are We Born?"

Baptist Chapel (meeting in Center School) - Morning worship at 11 a.m.

St. Hugh's Catholic Church - Masses at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Jewish Community Center Hanukkah Party in auditorium of Center School at 2:30 p.m.

Monday, December 20 - Lions Club lights Xmas tree at Center. Choral group meets in Room 201, Center School, at 8:15 p.m.

Wednesday, December 29 - Lutheran junior and senior choirs present concert of Xmas carols and hymns at church.

Thursday, December 23 - Legion Xmas Show, "National Velvet," at Greenbelt Theater at 1 and 3 p.m.

Lions To Light Tree At Center Monday

The Greenbelt Lions Club will kickoff its second annual Christmas food drive Monday evening with the official lighting of the Good Will Christmas Tree at the Center.

Lion President Dick White will turn the switch at 7:30 p.m. and the four-day drive for food and money for the unfortunate families of Greenbelt will be on its way.

Santa Claus will also be on hand with free gifts of candy for all the children. Lion Art Plackett, who is in charge of the drive for the Lions, hopes to see a real gathering of Greenbelt's small fry and urges all parents to be on hand with them. During the ceremonies the Greenbelt Band will play popular Christmas carols.

"Members of the Club will be on hand every night through Thursday to accept Greenbelter's offerings of food and money for those who need a material as well as spiritual lift," Plackett announced.

Smith Wins Vacant Council Seat After Dramatic 17 Ballots Cast

By I. J. Parker

James C. Smith, 4-H Southway, was elected to the city council last Monday night after a dramatic record-breaking 17 ballots were cast by the four councilmen. Smith replaces Frank Lastner, who resigned from the council after being elected county commissioner.

Smith received two votes on each of the first three ballots but

but failed to obtain the necessary three votes to win election. Mrs. Zoellner received two votes on nine ballots, and on two occasions each of the candidates were given one vote each. Tierney received two votes in but one ballot. Finally, on the 17th ballot Smith after receiving only one vote on the 13 previous ballots, with dramatic suddenness was elected with the necessary three votes with Mrs. Zoellner obtaining the fourth vote.

Council Presents Lastner With Gavel

Commissioner Frank Lastner, former mayor of Greenbelt, was presented with an engraved gavel by the city council last Monday night as a token of his years of service in that position. For the council and citizens of Greenbelt, Mayor James Wolfe also presented Lastner with a leather brief case in expression of the gratitude felt by the city for his "leadership and hard work."

Thanking the council for the gifts, Lastner stated, "I will always work hard in my new job as I have in the past, to earn the esteem of the county residents." He asked his wife, Hilda, to take a bow, calling her the inspiration for his public service.

Lastner said all three candidates for the vacancy on the council that he knew personally were fine, capable citizens and he knew any selection would be a good one.

City Clerk Winfield McCamy presented a personal gift of a ream of ruled pads which Lastner has used in the past to do his "homework" in the performance of his duties.

A testimonial dinner for Lastner will be held Monday, December 20, at the Hot Shoppe Chesapeake Room in College Park. Those wishing to attend should call George Panagoulis or any council member for tickets.

GVHC Board To Pick New Man In January

Ralph Webster, president of the board of the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation, will retain that position until December 31, 1954. At that time, he leaves the Washington area to become assistant director of the Veterans Administration Hines Hospital in Chicago, where he will remain for six months before receiving a permanent assignment to another hospital, in a similar capacity.

Webster explained to this newspaper this week how his resignation would affect the board. Ed Burgoon, now vice-president, will take over as acting president on January 1, and the board will appoint a new member. The group will then elect a president and vice president to serve until the annual election next March.

In addition to Webster and Burgoon, the present board includes Bruce Bowman, secretary; Lloyd Moore, treasurer; Hans Jorgensen, Al Long, Frank Kriby, Frank Lastner and Elliott Bukzin.

The meeting opened with reading of letters supporting the candidates and speeches from citizens attending the meeting to support their candidate. A technical question regarding the position of the election on the agenda delayed the vote momentarily, and then the suspenseful vote began. After eight votes, a short recess was held. After 12 votes, a suggestion was made to continue until 20 ballots occurred and then to move the election to the end of the meeting. But on the 17th ballot Smith swept in.

Smith was sworn in and took his place on the council immediately. He declared, "This election has been an ordeal imposed on the council; but I assure you I'll work in harmony with each and every member of the council. I'm grateful for the honor. And I'll be there with you when the chips are down."

Smith is a long-time resident of Greenbelt, a retired federal employee now operating a used car business. He has served on the council prior to Monday's election, and was the runner-up in the last city-wide council election. Always an active member in the community, Smith presently heads the "Clean-up Committee" in Greenbelt. In the past year he has attended many council meetings and took part in budget discussions, where he has expressed many times his feeling that Greenbelt should grow with the county and attract industry and business to the city.

Councilman Thomas Canning was elected mayor pro-tem by the council to replace James Wolfe, former mayor pro-tem and now mayor.

The meeting was the last one of the year.

Suburban Trust Issues \$100,000 Xmas Bonus

Mr. T. Howard Duckett, chairman of the board of the Suburban Trust Company, announces that the company has distributed a bonus amounting to approximately \$100,000 to its 400 officers and employees. This action is due to the fact that the Suburban Trust has had a very successful year and is in recognition of the devoted service of its employees.

Ballots For Council Seat

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Smith	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Zoellner	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	1
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My Daze

IF THE TELEPHONE COMPANY DOESN'T STOP "improving" its service, I don't know what we will do, but I'm afraid it will have to be something short of having the phone removed. The way numbers are being changed around, half the town lives incognito. Committee heads are having a rough time contacting members. Friends and relatives trying to reach us are probably concluding that we are away on extended vacations. So far we haven't seen anything of the much touted progress except in rates. Yes, you can't deny rates are improving, if you're a stockholder, that is. The phone being the basic necessity it is, however, we'll put up with anything for the privilege of having Bell's miracle in our home.

THERE MUST BE A DULL AGE during school hours. Going out at a time the court was deserted, our son came in complaining ungrammatically, "I don't have nobody to fight with."

WE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HOW OUR CHILDREN learn at the Center PTA meeting recently. The teachers were each explaining to their group of mothers and fathers how and why they did what they did with their class. What impressed us is how enormously important the skill and understanding (and good sense) of the teacher is in getting the "progressive" method across. You need a good teacher no matter what the approach, I suppose, but it seems especially important to the success of this learning through interest and experience approach. We were impressed too that the understanding parent willing to give abundant attention and encouragement is also vital in allowing the child to develop to his utmost.

OUR OLDER TWO HAVE GOTTEN THE KNACK of frying eggs, and are practicing at every opportunity. Lucky that eggs are comparatively inexpensive these days, or we probably wouldn't be so lenient about it.

—daisy.

University Advises On Care Of Carpets

College Park — Chances are that the area of carpet in front of your television or radio chairs takes a beating every day—and still a harder beating on weekends.

This fall more and more people are watching and listening to football games by television or radio than ever before. With the excitement goes a lot of living room eating and refreshment, and many food accidents occur because of it.

A few precautions and some quick action following food mishaps will help save your carpet, says Vivian L. Cornutt, home furnishings specialist for the University of Maryland Extension Service.

Place small rugs in front of radio and television chairs to absorb the beating caused by heavy feet grinding in the same spot hour after hour during football games. Choose these rugs just as carefully in color and pattern as your carpet so they won't be "sore spots" in the room. If you can't get an exact duplicate, choose the exact color to match the plain carpet. Or if your carpet is figured, choose a color to match its background color.

Take care of all food spills right away, even if there is a critical play at that instant for your favorite team. You'll find that paper napkins, cleansing tissue and paper towels absorb liquids quickly and keep them from spreading on the carpet. Use a damp cloth to absorb the sugar that might be in spilled foods.

Should there be a big splash of greasy foods, go after the spot immediately with a good liquid cleaning solvent. Use a fresh spot on the cleaning cloth each time you apply it to the spot. Dry cleaning "rug" powder is also effective.

Miss Cornutt suggests a more thorough cleaning of your carpet after the game is over when your guests have departed or the family has started other activities.

GIRL SCOUT OFFICE CLOSED

The Girl Scouts of District No. 1, Greenbelt, have announced that their local office will be closed from December 18 through January 1.

Tragedy Strikes The Viking's Home

By W.E.R.

Tommy, the three-year-old pride and joy of Mr. and Mrs. Viking, was apparently dead or totally paralyzed.

The clean, well-kept, small home of the middle-aged couple was silent as the grave. Tommy's bright, smiling face and entertaining voice were no more seen or heard. He had been a healthy kid, although at times noisy, till one night his face lost all its brightness and his voice failed.

The doting couple spent much of the night trying every (to them) known remedy—shaking, twisting and mauling—without results. Tommy could not articulate to tell them what ailed him; to all appearances he was dead. He could not take any nourishment, all normal functions ceased, his usually bright, cheerful face was clouded, immobile—dark.

A hurried call brought a young 'doctor' who made a superficial examination, did a little probing here and there, and inserted a tube into Tommy's throat without results. Tommy was cool, he had no temperature.

After a long spiel of technical verbosity which was Greek to the old couple but sounded very learned, and the proclaiming of his own ability to cure all, the 'doctor' resorted to the now threadbare alibi for inability to make a diagnosis and proclaimed that Tommy had a 'Virus' infection and must be removed to his clinic for further examination, and possibly an exploratory operation.

This was a shock to the Vikings, who hated to see Tommy removed from home. Naturally they wanted to know how much it would cost? How long would he be gone? Could the Doctor assure them he would be O.K. when he came home? The Vikings' bank account was slim, and while they would sacrifice almost everything for Tommy, their questions were very unfair to the doctor.

How can one foresee what one will find in the innards of a body? How much time will be lost making tests? Then during the operation when the innards (vulgar expression) are all in view, the doctor finds a malignant tumor, a leaky heart valve, a ruptured spleen, etc. How can anyone estimate the cost of such repairs unless he has "X" ray eyes or is a clairvoyant? It's both unfair and foolish to demand an estimate of the cost of a cure for unknown obscure ailments. You may get one; But! the job may be a patchwork to keep within the price estimated.

YOU'VE GUESSED It:- Tommy Viking was a TV, and the moral is: If your TV fails, employ only a reliable, competent, established technician, NOT an inexperienced fly-by-night whose clinic is in some hidden shack or basement, or possibly on his kitchen table, while his kitchen sink acts as a receptacle for the innards of your set till he or his wife needs to wash the dishes, when the parts of your prized TV are piled on the floor in a corner till after supper.

Don't hesitate to allow your set to be taken to the shop of any honest, reliable, properly equipped technician, altho it is wise to ascertain his reputation as there are still very few who have the skill, the know-how, and the equipment to do a thorough job, but are lacking in conscience. No serviceman can bring a full complement of instruments to your home, or do work satisfactory to you or himself, on your floor. And lastly: Don't look for cheap or "free" service. It doesn't exist. Shun misleading advertisements, their authors and associates, regardless of BIG NAMES. If you want DIS-SERVICE, call one of the "FREE ESTIMATE"—All work done in your home—99c Day and night service artists." You'll learn eventually; you only get what you pay for, but may pay much for what you don't get.

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St. Hugh's Parish Sell Xmas Wreaths

The members of the Parish Committee of St. Hugh's Church are selling Christmas wreaths throughout the city of Greenbelt. Mr. Nunnary, an expert in holiday and festive decorations, has designed and supervised the construction of the wreaths. The proceeds from the sale of the wreaths will be utilized for the St. Hugh's Building Fund.

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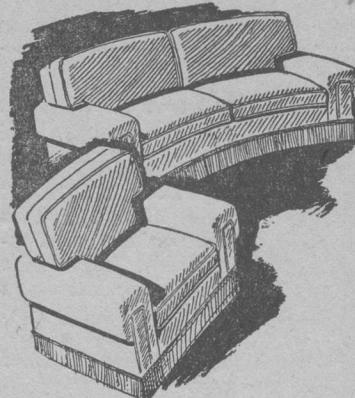
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The Finance Folder gives practical advice on budgeting, money management, and family records; financing a car, personal loans, mortgages, home improvement loans; auto, fire and health insurance; and how to invest wisely on a small scale.

A handy check list for recording important financial facts for the family is an extra feature of the new guide for women.

The Folder will be used by women all over the country as an aid in their financial education. It is available to the public, as well as to AAUW members. It may be ordered for 75 cents from AAUW, 1634 Eye St., N.W., Washington, D. C., or from the Service Department, Changing Times, 1729 H St., N.W., Washington, D. C.

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GW Awards BS Degree To Barbara Hendrick

Barbara Diane Hendrick, daughter of Mrs. Helen Carey of 34-G Ridge Road, Greenbelt, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education with a major in Home Economics during the annual Fall Convocation exercises of the George Washington University held November 11, 1954 in the Lisner Auditorium of the University. A total of 333 students received degrees.

President of the University, Dr. Cloyd Heck Marvin, gave the charge to the graduating class. Dr. Marvin told the class "we believed that personality is sacred and that in this belief is the basis of liberty." He went on to affirm the University's belief that "democracy is a spiritual testament and not an economic or political structure." The president concluded by quoting the poet's line: "Everything comes out of the people—the people—everyday people—the people as you find them and leave them."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

The News Review extends birthday greetings to Miss Beautiful Joan (pronounced Jo-ann) Murray, of 6-H Hillside who became twenty years old December 13.

LITTER JINGLE

Submitted by
Bernard Krug, 7-E Crescent
Put those papers in the trash can.
Keep our city in the pink.
Don't be careless or untidy,
It is litter than you think.

Your Income Tax

By E. Don Bullian

This is the first of a series of income tax articles covering changes in the law that may be of particular interest to residents of Greenbelt. Changes applicable to business enterprises, estates, trusts, farmers and gifts will not be considered.

The new law cuts no tax rates, but it does provide tax cuts by allowing you to deduct more of your expenses and to exclude from taxable income some of the money on which you previously had to pay taxes. It permits larger deductions for people with big medical bills. It cuts taxes on dividends and retirement income. It gives new tax breaks to working mothers and parents whose children have part-time jobs while going to school, it affords benefits to widows whose husbands have just died and left them with children and many other tax savings that will be presented in more detail in future articles of this series.

GVHC Deduction

One of the most important features of the changes, from a Greenbelt point of view, is the proration of a cooperative housing corporation's interest and taxes to its members. This distribution should produce a basic tax deduction of approximately \$300, in taxes and interest to each GVHC member. Naturally the residents of the frame houses will have less than \$300 while many of the tenants of the brick homes, especially those with basements, will exceed that figure and may possibly go over \$400.

Thus every GVHC member will have a nest egg with which to start his listing of income tax deductions. To this proration of interest and taxes will be added the various other deductions that will make up your total income tax deductions. In general, that will include additional taxes and interest paid to others, contributions, medical expenses, allowable travel expenses, and numerous miscellaneous deductions. If the total of these deductions exceeds 10 percent of your income then you should use the long form and list your deductions. If all your deductions total to less than 20 percent of your income then you should use the standard deduction of 10 percent and you will have no further need of instructions or guidance on income tax deductions.

Questions of a general nature will be answered by calling GRanite 4-8746.

(GVHC is at present awaiting a determination by Internal Revenue regarding its status as a cooperative housing project. It is the writer's opinion that GVHC will be classified as a cooperative housing project but that is only an opinion. Internal revenue will make the decision.)

The next article in this series will cover details of personal tax deductions affected by the new changes in the law.

JCC BINGO SATURDAY

A free-admission Bingo will be held Saturday, December 18, in the Social Room of the Community Building. The Bingo is sponsored

by the Jewish Community Center to raise funds to complete their building, which will be dedicated to the memory of the first Jewish families to settle in this country three hundred years ago.

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